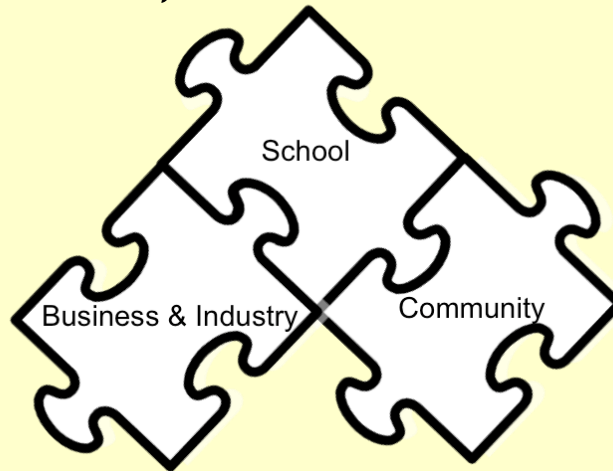




# P.O.W.E.R.

## Pathway and Certification

*Employability Skills, the P.O.W.E.R. of tomorrow!*



**Eligibility begins with the Class of 2018**

# Objectives

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1. Connect the importance of **P**erseverance, **O**rganization, **W**ork Ethic, **E**fficiency, and **R**esponsibility to the success of employability skills
2. Develop skills, knowledge and the ability to succeed in a variety of career pathways
3. To create effective employability skills
4. Become more marketable as a future employee, regardless the path

# Course Sequence

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- To earn the P.O.W.E.R. Certification at the conclusion of the senior year, students must complete 8 credits in the courses below and earn a 75% or higher.
  - Preparing for College & Careers
    - Offered as an 8<sup>th</sup> or 9<sup>th</sup> grade elective, 1 semester course
  - Digital Applications & Responsibility
    - 1 semester course, 1 credit
  - Interpersonal Relationships
    - 1 semester course, 1 credit
  - Personal Financial Responsibility
    - 1 semester course, 1 credit
  - Work Based Learning: Senior Internship
    - Full year course, 2 credits per semester, senior year only

# Sample Course Schedule

Freshmen	Sophomore	Junior	Senior
English 9	English 10	English 11	English 12
Math	Math	Math	Math
Science	Science	Science	Science
World Language	World Language	World Language	World Language
Physical Education	World History or Geography	US History	Government/Economics
Elective	Elective	Elective	Elective
Elective	Elective	Elective	Senior Internship
Preparing for College & Careers/Health	Digital Applications & Responsibility/ Elective	Personal Financial Responsibility/ Interpersonal Relationships	Senior Internship

*\*Preparing for College & Careers will also be an option during 8<sup>th</sup> grade*

*\*Courses in **red** are included in the P.O.W.E.R. curriculum*

# Senior Year Certification Process

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- Submit the P.O.W.E.R. Statement of Intent to the Guidance Office and have it on file *(may be submitted as early as 8<sup>th</sup> grade year)*
- Demonstrate Overall Academic Readiness:
  - Earn a minimum transcriptable GPA of 2.0 and meet criteria for graduation
  - Maintain an unexcused attendance rate of 98% or higher per semester of student's senior year and have fewer than four tardies to school per semester
  - Two or fewer behavior referrals to the office during senior year
- Earn OSHA 10-Hour Certification as part of Work Based Learning—Senior Internship course
- Obtain the 8 credits for the P.O.W.E.R Pathway courses while earning a 75% or higher
- Complete a minimum of six hours of community service during senior year and submit the necessary verification to the Guidance office

# Outcome and Benefits

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- Students who earn the P.O.W.E.R. Certification will be recognized on Honors Night
- Diplomas will designate the achievement of the P.O.W.E.R. Certificate and students will receive a wallet card to signify their achievement
- By creating awareness and partnerships with area businesses, it is the goal for P.O.W.E.R. students to receive an interview and/or a pay increase based on their achievement

